

**In re U. S. Continuation-In-Part Patent Application**



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**This application claims priority from, and expressly incorporates by reference, U.S. Patent Application No. 09/923,763, filed August 6, 2001.**

Enclosures:

1. PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL
2. 54 PAGES OF APPLICATION (INCLUDING 45 PAGE SPECIFICATION, 65 TOTAL CLAIMS/13 INDEPENDENT (8 PAGES) AND 1 PAGE ABSTRACT)
3. 14 SHEETS OF DRAWINGS (FIGS. 1-20, 21A-B, 22-28)
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**PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility continuation-in-part patent application for a "Reclosable Container Lid."

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/923,763, filed August 6, 2001. U.S. Patent Application No. 09/923,763 is hereby incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.

Enclosed are the following documents:

- X 54 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract  
X Fourteen (14) Sheets of Drawings (Figures 1-20, 21A-B, 22-28).

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